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SUBJ: SIILASVUO'S AUGUST 28 MEETING WITH TUENI AND KHOURY

REF: JERUSALEM 2375

1. SIILASVUO MET WITH TUENI, KHOURY, THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2 ABDO AND OTHERS AUGUST 28 AND CONVEYED GOI POSITION ON UNIFIL DEPLOYMENT IN ENCLAVES REPORTED REFTEL (BOUTROS REPORTEDLY IN SYRIA SEEING ASAD). LEBANESE WERE DISAPPOINTED SINCE FROM RADIO REPORTS THEY HAD IMPRESSION ISRAELIS PREPARED TO BE FORTHCOMING ALONG LINES WEIZMAN-URQUHART CONVERSATION.

2. TUENI SAID HE WOULD RECOMMEND GOL NOT CALL FOR SC MEETING AND INSTEAD SEND LETTER FOR CIRCULATION PRIOR TO APPEARANCE OF SYG'S REPORT ANTICIPATED ABOUT SEPTEMBER 7.

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3. CONCERNING DEPLOYMENT LAF UNIT TO TIBNIN, SIILASVUO REPORTED EITAN COULD NOT GIVE ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE NO FIRING WOULD OCCUR FROM CHRISTIAN SIDE. HOWEVER, IDF WOULD INTERVENE PROMPTLY IN EVENT THIS HAPPENED. SIILASVUO SAID NEXT STEP WOULD BE FOR LAF TO SEND OFFICERS TO THE AREA FOR RECONNAISSANCE. DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF

OPINED THIS WAS A POLITICAL QUESTION. SIILASVUO DISAGREED.  
(GENERAL CUQ GAVE KHOURY DETAILED PLAN FOR MOVEMENT A WEEK AGO.)  
LEBANESE SIDE WAS DUBIOUS ABOUT SENDING LEBANESE ARMY  
TO TIBNIN IF IT WOULD NOT HAVE FREEDOM TO ENTER ENCLAVES.  
SIILASVUO STRESSED DISIRABILITY OF GOL BEGINNING TO  
RE-ESTABLISH ITS PRESENCE IN THE SOUTH, FAILING WHICH,  
OTHERS WOULD FILL THE VACUUM. KHOURY AND TUENI INDICATED  
QUESTION WOULD BE REFERRED TO GOVERNMENT FOR DECISION.

4. SIILASVUOS SAYS LAF COMPANY AT TIBNIN NOW REDUCED TO ABOUT  
20 MEN. THE REST BEING "ON LEAVE."

5. COMMENT: SIILASVUO BELIEVES GOI WILL DO NOTHING  
FURTHER TO FACILITATE UNIFIL DEPLOYMENT IN THE ENCLAVES  
FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. HE ALSO BELIEVES GOL  
INCAPABLE OF TAKING A DECISION ON SENDING LEBANESE ARMY TO  
TEBNIN.  
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